Executive Registry

Please pass the following to Admiral Taylor:

"The Military Committee is the senior military authority in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. It is composed of a Chief of Staff of each member country except France. Iceland, however, having no military forces, may be represented by a civilian." (Source: NATO Handbook, February 1967)

Further, my inquiry indicates that France does not have an official representative on the permanent military staff. (Admiral Ward is the United States representative.) The Military Committee is comprised of thirteen NATO countries, minus France and Iceland.

However, to be fair and objective I have been advised that
the French do have a liaison officer to the Military Committee. He

Therefore, it is my considered judgement that I should get at least 3/4th of a martini or better still, a good cup of Navy coffee.

George Murphy
Assistant Director,
Joint Committee on Atomic Energy

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